UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE EASTERN DIVISION

JORGE A. RUBIO	
Plaintiff,)
VS.) No. 15-1165-JDT-cgc
TRINITY MENTAL POLK, ET AL.,)
Defendants.)

ORDER DISMISSING CASE AND ASSESSING \$400 CIVIL FILING FEE

On July 13, 2015, Plaintiff Jorge A. Rubio, Tennessee Department of Correction prisoner number 111504, who is incarcerated at the Morgan County Correctional Complex (MCCX) in Wartburg, Tennessee, filed a *pro se* complaint pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and a motion for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. (ECF Nos. 1 & 2.) Plaintiff is a restricted filer under the "three-strikes" provision of the Prison Litigation Reform Act (PLRA), 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g).

Plaintiff's complaint does not satisfy the imminent danger exception to § 1915(g); therefore, the Court denied leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and directed him to pay the entire \$400 civil filing fee within 30 days. (ECF No. 7.) The Court warned that failure to pay the fee as instructed would "result in the assessment of the filing fee from Plaintiff's inmate trust account without regard to the [PLRA's] installment procedures and dismissal of this action without further notice for failure to prosecute." (*Id.* at 5.)

Plaintiff has not paid the filing fee, and the time within which to do so has expired. Therefore, this case is DISMISSED pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g) and for failure to prosecute pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure Rule 41(b).

Notwithstanding the dismissal of this action, the Court is still required to assess the civil filing fee, since the responsibility for paying the filing fee accrues at the time a complaint is filed. *McGore v. Wrigglesworth*, 114 F.3d 601, 607 (6th Cir. 1997), *partially overruled on other grounds by LaFountain v. Harry*, 716 F.3d 944, 951 (6th Cir. 2013); *cf. In re Alea*, 286 F.3d 378, 381-82 (6th Cir. 2002) (dismissal of civil action filed by prisoner pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g) did not obviate the obligation to pay the filing fee).

It is ORDERED that Plaintiff cooperate fully with prison officials in carrying out this order. If Plaintiff is transferred to a different prison, he shall provide the officials at the new prison with a copy of this order.

It is further ORDERED that the trust account officer at Plaintiff's prison shall withdraw from Plaintiff's trust account the sum of \$400 and forward that amount to the Clerk of this Court. If the funds in Plaintiff's account are insufficient to pay the full amount of the civil filing fee, the prison official is instructed to withdraw all of the funds in Plaintiff's account and forward them to the Clerk of Court. On each occasion that funds are subsequently credited to Plaintiff's account, the prison official shall immediately withdraw those funds and forward them to the Clerk of Court, until the civil filing fee is paid in full. The trust account officer is not required to remit any balance less than \$10, unless that amount would constitute the final payment of the civil filing fee, provided that any balance under \$10 is held in custody for purposes of paying the civil filing fee in this

action and is promptly remitted to the Clerk when sufficient funds are deposited into

Plaintiff's account to bring the balance to \$10.

Each time that the trust account officer makes a payment to the Court as required

by this order, he shall print a copy of the prisoner's trust account statement showing all

activity in the account since the last payment under this order and file it with the Clerk

along with the payment. All payments and account statements shall be sent to:

Clerk, United States District Court, Western District of Tennessee

111 S. Highland Ave., Room 262, Jackson, TN 38301

and shall clearly identify Plaintiff's name and the case number on the first page of this

order.

The Clerk shall mail a copy of this order to the prison official in charge of inmate

trust accounts at Plaintiff's prison. The Clerk is further directed to forward a copy of this

order to the Warden of the MCCX to ensure that the custodian of Plaintiff's inmate trust

account complies with that portion of the PLRA pertaining to filing fees.

The Clerk is directed to prepare a judgment.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ James D. Todd

JAMES D. TODD

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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